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rate for the week ended on the above date was 45.5 per mille. The figures on which this percentage is based are as follows: Deaths during the week ended December 21, 1907, numbered 743 against 847 and 817 during the two preceding weeks, and was higher by 107 than the deaths occurring during the same week of 1906. Among the causes of deaths reported are: Cholera, 116; plague, 18; smallpox, 2. The general health of the city was better during the week than during the previous two weeks, and better than it was during the same week of last year.

## ITALY.

*Report from Naples—Inspection of vessels—Emigrants recommended for rejection—Smallpox in Italy.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon McLaughlin reports, January 20:  
Week ended January 18.

*Vessels inspected at Naples.*

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of large baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Jan. 16 18	Lazio.....	New York.....	265	45	550
	Roma.....	do.....	121	40	120
	Total.....	.....	386	85	670

*Rejections recommended.*

Date.	Name of ship.	Trachoma.	Favus.	Suspected trachoma.	Suspected favus.	Other causes.	Total.
Jan. 16 18	Lazio.....	7	4	5	.....	2	18
	Roma.....	5	1	1	1	2	10
	Total.....	12	5	6	1	4	28

*Smallpox.*

Week ended January 16. Cases: Budrio (Bologna), 2 cases; Pietrogalla (Potenza), 2; Polistena, 8; Gerace Superiore, 8; Canolo, 2; Oppido Mamertino, 3; Caulonia, 2; Cittanova, 29; Anoia, 1; Pellaro, 1; Rizziconi (Reggio Calabria), 1; Trapani, 2; Alcamo (Trapani), 2.

Week ended January 23. Cases: San Vito Cadore (Belluno), 4 cases; Cittanova, 44; Canolo, 1; Caulonia, 9; Gerace Superiore, 3; Polistena, 5; Anoia, 2; Gioia Tauro (Reggio Calabria), 2.

## JAPAN.

*Reports from Yokohama—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Plague-infected rats on steamship Kinko Maru from Formosa—Smallpox at Kobe and Yokohama—General vaccination at Yokohama commenced.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming reports, January 14:

Bills of health were issued during the week ended January 12 to 7 steamships and 1 bark leaving this port for ports of the United